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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Superintendents, High School Principals and High School Test Coordinators

**FROM:** Jon Gubera, Office of Student Learning

**DATE:** September 11, 2009

**SUBJECT:** PSAT/NMSQT Ordering

As you already know, Indiana is funding the PSAT/NMSQT for ALL Grade 10 students enrolled in Indiana state accredited high schools this fall.

The State goal is 100% participation of sophomores.

You can quickly find out what percentage of PSAT test booklets have been ordered for 10<sup>th</sup> graders in the high schools in your school corporation (based on figures from September 3<sup>rd</sup>) by going to <http://mustang.doe.state.in.us/dg/octe/psat.cfm> and entering your school's four digit code.

If you believe the information is incorrect, please contact Adam Jackson of the College Board's Midwest Regional Office at: [ajackson@collegeboard.org](mailto:ajackson@collegeboard.org) or (847) 653-4515, or the national office through the link: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/testing/psat/contact>.

Schools have until September 23<sup>rd</sup> to increase PSAT orders by contacting the College Board at [www.collegeboard.com/school](http://www.collegeboard.com/school) (click on the "Sign in to the PSAT/NMSQT Ordering Site" link which will ask for the user name and password from last year). The PSAT/NMSQT is on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Targeting the PSAT to 10<sup>th</sup> grade students provides earlier detailed academic information to teachers related to Indiana's Academic Standards and helps students in choosing classes for the junior and senior years, preparing for the SAT, and exploring careers and colleges.

The IDOE strongly encourages schools to provide exams for BOTH 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders. The cost is \$13 for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students though the College Board provides the opportunity for all 11<sup>th</sup> grade Free and Reduced Lunch students to take the PSAT at no cost.